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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : DCI Morning Meeting

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1. [redacted] indicated an Allied plane was downed in East Germany, but subsequent follow-up indicated that this was not U. S. U. S. has been conducting some C-130 round trip flights into Berlin which have been protested by the Soviets, but these were not involved this time.
2. Intelligence indicates that a spectacular Soviet space shot is in the offing. Probably not lunar but manned and possibly rendezvous.
3. All intelligence points to the fact that the U. S. multilateral nuclear force concept is being met in Europe with complete lack of enthusiasm. Likely that this policy will be a complete failure and result in serious setback to U. S.-European position.
4. I briefed on the following points:

a) [redacted]

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b) The weapons in space policy paper. DCI agreed with our general thinking, but wished to discuss further.

c) OXCART activity

5. General Carter raised the question of the proposed NRO funding paper, indicating that he thought it was a little tight. I pointed out that the basic question as far as our operations were concerned involved definition of projects and tasks. We would be quite willing to stick within line items but did not wish to get in the position of going back and requesting approval every time we wished to spend additional funds. DCI indicated that we should try to clarify this point, and in any case, generally live with the procedure protesting only when unnecessary delays were produced. (After the meeting I discussed this briefly with McMillan who had never seen the proposed paper. I explained to him my personal worries about this problem, and he concurred

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with me that there had to be flexibility within major elements of the program and indicated he thought we could define the thing in a mutually satisfactory way. He further indicated he was not in complete sympathy with [Redacted] money shuffling tactics. He is going to discuss the paper with [Redacted] and I indicated we would probably be making some reply along the lines suggested above.)

6. DCI discussed the forthcoming briefing of the Russell Subcommittee. Carter and Scoville assigned the job of briefing on OXCART and the new satellite schedule.

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